Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, Saint Peter's Church of White Lake held its first Mass in 1883 under the guidance and direction of Father Scallan. The service was held in the White Lake Hotel; and,

WHEREAS, In 1884, Father P. Wilhelm became the first resident priest in White Lake, and he devoted himself to finding the congregation a church home. The result was a thirty-six by sixty foot frame structure on the west end of town; and,

WHEREAS, Since Father Wilhelm was the only resident priest between Mitchell and the Missouri River, he had the awesome task of serving fifteen missions besides his own; and,

WHEREAS, Saint Peter's Church has seen some dark days, including a destructive Christmas Day fire in 1925 and the lean, arid years of the thirties. Yet still, the church and its congregation remain strongly committed to bringing the message of hope and love to the community; and,

WHEREAS, One Hundred Years later, the Saint Peter's Church family remains strong and devoted. On June 26th, the parish will proudly celebrate its South Dakota Centennial; and,

WHEREAS, For the good works Saint Peter's has done in its community and the good will it brings to the state, it is only fitting that we recognize this fine church as it celebrates a sacred century of service in South Dakota:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim June 26, 1983, as

SAINT PETER'S CHURCH CENTENNIAL DAY

in South Dakota.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Thirty-first Day of March, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Three

WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

ALICE KUNDERT, SECRETARY OF STATE

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